Bird. F.M

April 20th, 1901

20 April 1901

Messrs. S. H. & H. Chapman,

1348 PINE STREET, PHILADELPHIA.

Please execute the following bids at a sale to be held in Phila on the May 3, 4

The bids are at so much each piece.

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NO.	BID	REMARKS	NO.	BID	REMARKS
52	05		427	2	
53	5		428	1	
54	6		429	1/4	
173	3		431	1	
174	2		432	1 1/4	
175	2		464	4	
176	1 1/4		465 ✓	4	
177	Lot 20		683	11	
212	3 1/2		684	5	
255	1 1/4		685	2	
274	3		686	2	
			724	1 1/2	
451	Cabinet $1.75		725	1 1/2	

If some of these bids are N.G., don't bother with them. I don't care to go higher, unless a fraction on any lot (base especially) that may be worth it. Much obliged for your letter about the Bactrian gold piece.

Yours Respectfully,

S. Bethlehem Pa

F. M. Bird

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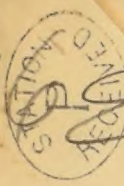

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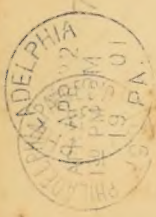

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S. H. & H. Chapman
1348 Race St.
Philada
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Bird, F.M

July 25th, 1901

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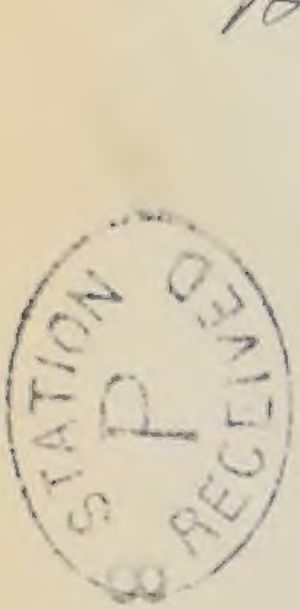

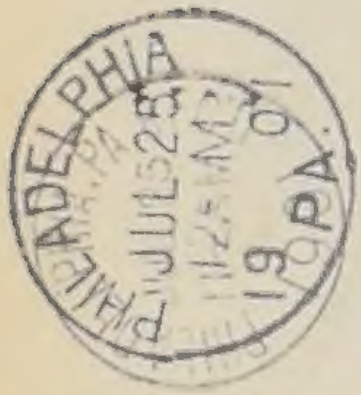

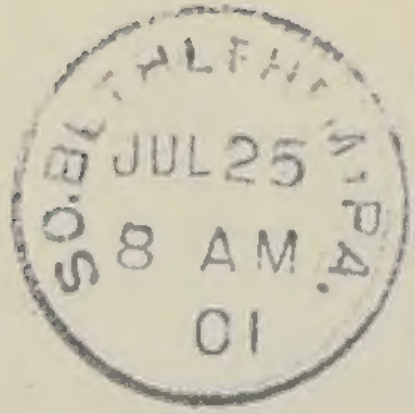

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1348 Rice St.

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Bird, F.M

July 11th, 1901

July 13th, 1901

2 bid sheets, 2 dates, 1 envelope

E. Bethlehem, July 11 1901

Messrs. S. N. & A. Chapman,

1348 PINE STREET, PHILADELPHIA.

Please execute the following bids at a sale to be held in Phila. (your sale) on the 22d July

The bids are at so much each piece.

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NO.	BID	REMARKS	NO.	BID	REMARKS
218	@ .03½	5-7			
219	1½	2.0			
221	Lot .25	4th Lot			
242	@ 1½	2½			
359	7	10-15			
360	8	10-15			
365	9	10-15			
367	6	10			
368	5	10			
370	4	6-10			
372	4	8-10			
374	5	10			
375	5	8-10			
376	4	10			
377	4	7-10			
378	4	8-10			
379	4	8-10			
380	4	8-10			
381	4	6-10			
382	5	8-10			
385	3	7-10			
386	4	7-10			
387	4	7-10			

Yours Respectfully,

E. M. Bird

S. Bethlehem Pa. July 1890.

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Please execute the following bids at a sale to be held in Phila. on the 22d (your sale)

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NO.	BID	REMARKS	NO.	BID	REMARKS
		At your suggestion I bid on a few more lots - which I am less likely to get than those bid upon in previous letter; viz:			
	230 ✓				
~~Lots~~	224-231	@ .04 c. each piece			
	232-238	@ 3			
	302-3	1			
	308-9	3			
	352-358	5			
	363-364	1			
	480 ✓	5			
	481	1			
	713	1 5/8			
	714 (at guess)	5 (or little more)			

My bids are offered rather as tokens of good-will & regard than in expectation of success! My bids are always low, usually very low, as you say; for reasons. (1) Just-now I can spend my little on coins: (2) Not seeing the lots, I must minimize the risk (might often go higher if I saw them);

(Over)

Yours Respectfully,

F. M. Reid

(3) on duplicates would I usually live at least 75 per ct. com, & much of what I get from out duplicates — on modern copper lots usually 3/4 to 9/10 ! Do these are worth more to a beginner, or even a dealer perhaps, than to an owner of, says 20,000. So I aim generally to take advantage of the caprices of auctions, & to get only bargains. I have compunctions about troubling you with such bids that you need not enter them when not worth while. (Per contra, a bid of 1/2c. may help to sell a sizable lot to another fellow at 2.)

I can hardly go higher on the previous bids (copper especially) unless a small fraction. I might offer you general 'discretion', except that that is more trouble to you than profit. On silver lots as a rule I aim to pay little if any above intrinsic value. On 7/14 (which I overlooked before) I can't tell what that is; possibly 8 or 9, or perhaps less than 5. Change bid accordingly.

When any body leaves me $250,000 I will attend some of the sales & bid higher bids.

Lord's change of date, to 23?, will help both of you. — Let me know when you have any private lots in any line very cheap.

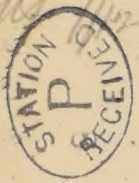
Yours cordially

F. M. Bird

Bird

Bids 7/22/01

Ans 7/22/01



April 9

Sent 7/24/01

S. H. & H. Chapman

1348 Penn St

Philadelphia

Pa.

Frame

Bird, F.M. November 11th, 1901

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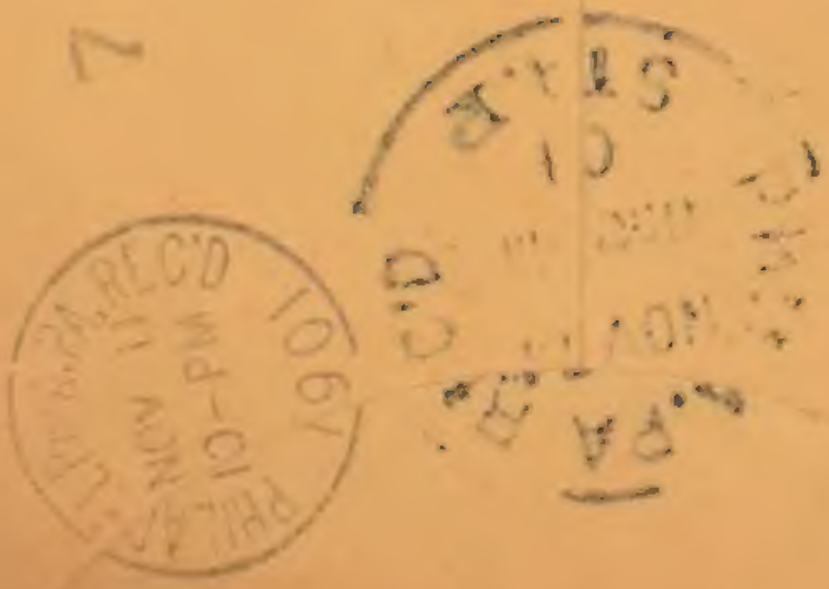

SOUTH BETHLEHEM
NOV 1
8 P
1901
PA.

Sarah H. Chapman
1348 Pine St.
Philada
Pa.

Bird., F.M. December 16th, 1902

S. Bethlehem 16 Dec. 1902

Dear Mr. Chapman:

Your note, dated 14th., is marked as mailed 10 a.m. yesterday & recd in this P.O. at 2.30. We have no delivery between 1 & 5.15 P.M., & it reached me 5.25. Even had I recd it at 2:, an answer could not have got to you before this a.m., which you said was N.G. Preferring this, I intended to meet you at depot here on your arrival 10 a.m. to-day, invite you to lunch, & have you here all the time you might have to spare. If there are not most uncommon beastly weather for old Chapman's funeral or any other use, & you were wise to stay at home. All the same I am sorry not to see you. Whenever you are in these parts, come to see me, of course. If I know when you are coming, I'll meet the train: if not, 433 Broadhead Ave. is but 10 minutes' walk from station, & any one will direct you.

I left Lippincott's some four years ago, & have been in Phila. but 3 or 4 times since.

Since Hyde left, no one in here who knows or cares about coins, if I except a man who paid me $1500 for the pick of my collection (as to condition)

(over)

Dunical years ago, & for whom I bought Hayden Col. & some crowns &c. About a year ago. He has all he wants & is no numismatist. I have now full 10,000 ancients & 15,000 others - not many of em in XX condition & of high marketable value. For uncommon pieces I have to be content with a scrub lot: no objection (as I once told you, to your disgust) to "tooled."

When you have any unsaleable stuff or cheap lots not worth keeping for next sale, let me know. I don't care for Geo. III ½ d.; Prussian $\frac{1}{6}$ $\frac{1}{51}$, &c. by the gross, but I do for old & a bit out of the common, however off color: Danish silver & bronze seem to pay me best.

I have an unusual assay of old Spanish Copper & some others. Of old German bronze &c. these seems no end. Bear me in mind & drop in — when you can. Very truly yours

F. M. Bird

Did you ever collect that debt from young Fretwood that you spoke of at Lord's last year? I've not heard of him since & don't know whether he is still alive or in business. B.

Bird

Ans 13/17/02

Mr. J. Henry Chapman Jr.

1348 Pine St.

Philadelphia

Pa.

Bird, F.M

December 18th, 1902

S. Bethl.m 18 Dec. 1902

Atts 17/19/02

Send the 3000 cripples. I can manage them at
4 will pay 4½.
.40 c. per 100. The 250 bean would not be worth
a 4½ to me unless something out of the common. The
ordinary lots of that sort fetch 2 to 3c. at sales:
I've had thousands of 'em. But you can send this
lot on _approval_ in parcel with the coppers, if you can
wait some weeks for its return.

F. M. Bird

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Messrs. S. H. & H. Chapman,

1348 Pine Street,

Philadelphia

Bird, F.M. December 19th, 1902

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19 December, 1902.

Mr. F. M. Bird,

To S. H. & H. Chapman.

2050 coppers, just as they counted	@	.40 per 100	$8.20
Lot of base silver coins 205.			~~2.50~~
			~~$15.70~~

Check inclosed for coppers.
The other lot I'll return some by hand.
Sent W Saturday
FB.

Bird
Cash 8 20
Ans — 17/12/02

S. H. & H. Chapman

1348 Pine St

Philada.

Pa.

Bird, F.M December 22nd. 1902

S. Bethe 22 Dec. 1902

Parcel duly rec'd. Can go on high or $3.50 on the base lot, & no! dunkirks on that. Will either remit that with the $8.20 for bigger lot, or send the small one back at earliest opportunity - as you may desire.

Ans 27/23/02

F. Bird

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

SOUTH BETHLEHEM PA. DEC 22 7 P.M

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S. H. & H. Chapman

1348 Penn St.

Philad^{a}

Pa.

Bird, F.M

April 13th, 1903

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S. Butte Co. 13 Apr. 03

I expect to be at Butte days' sale with more bids: so you will be glad to cancel or disregard those I sent a week or two ago.

F. M. Bird

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BETHLEHEM PA. APR 14 6 AM

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1348 Pine St.

Philad^{a}

Pa.

N.B. If I were a millionaire I'd go in for some others here, specially no. 16. First I ever heard of it except in a Berlin auction (catalog: I was not there) in Oct. 1865 - No. 1616 - where it fetched but 10 Rh.r Ought to bring more now. Your remarks on it are modest. Are there any other crowns as early as 1479?

No. 10 (or at least a double decade of Ferd. & Is., 2 of each) is priced in Friedberg's list for Jan '89 at only 30 Mks. Patriotism shd raise it much higher.

If 2 Rh.r go down to 2d days sale (not likely), I presume you can cancel my feeble bids thereon.

F. W. R.

Enc. 3-16

April 1903

Messrs. S. N. & N. Chapman,

1348 PINE STREET, PHILADELPHIA.

Please execute the following bids at a sale to be held in Phila on the 16-17th

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NO.	BID	REMARKS
6	.09	
8	3	
39	6 1/2	
41	4	
56	2	
920-3	2	
929	1 1/2	
961	1	
1002	6 1/2	
1007	5	
1008	7 1/2	
1009	6	
1014	7	
1029	1 1/2	
1041	2	
*1042	7/8	
1044	1 1/4	
1045	1/4	
1047	1	
1057	3	
1064	4	
1065	1 1/4	
1068	4	
1085	3	
1105	2	
1349	50	
1356	4	

*By your description, @ 7/8 is enough on 1042. If I am mistaken & it is worth picking over, go a little higher at need. I can get no more for good uncuts than per bitter moderns. — The rest of above bids are hardly worth your entering — so close are they. Not worth my while to go higher, tho' some are worth more.

Yours Respectfully,

F. M. Bird

Bird F. M.

Bid in sec

4/15/17/903

Recalled

S. H. & H. Chapman
1348 Pine St.
Philad.a
Pa.

Bird, F.M. June 26th, 1903

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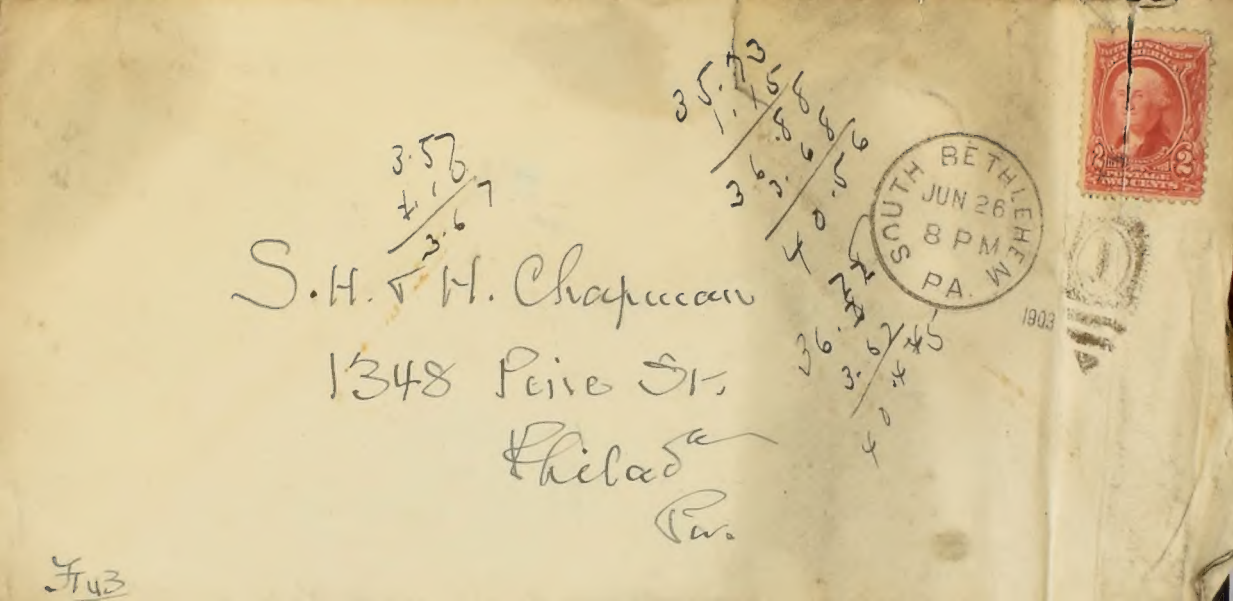
SOUTH BETHLEHEM
JUN 26
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PA.
1903
S. H. & H. Chapman
1348 Pine St.
Philada
Pa.

Bird, F.M

June 27th, 1903

S. Bethm. 27 June '03

I can have a consignment for your
fall sales made up shortly. At what time
would you prefer to receive it?

J. M. Bird

"J L" York - Ont

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PHILADELPHIA JUN 27 8 AM

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S. H. & H. Chapman

1348 Pine St.

Philad.a

Pa.

Bird, Fim

October 21st, 1903

S. Bethlehem 21 Oct. 03

If you will let me know when you are preparing for next sale, I can send a consignment.

F. M. Bird

Ans 24/10/03

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S. M. & H. Chapman
1348 Filbert St.
Phila.
Pa

Bird. FM

October 27th, 1903

S. Bethlehem, 27 Oct. '03

A friend has some fine ancient & Mediæval Roman gold & Greek silver & perhaps 50 lots. Don't forget to notify me when you are ready to receive this invoice, with or without mine previously mentioned.

F. M. Bird

PUSTAL CARD - ONE CENT.

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Bird, F.M. December 22nd, 1903

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Miss
Ann Sale

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S. H. & H. Chapman
1348 Pine St.
Philad^a
Pa.

Frm B.

Bird, F.M

March 22nd, 1904

S. Bethlehem Pa 18 Nov.

Yours with check rec'd

I have nothing to send now,

but will be glad to see your

next catalog.

F. Wilkens

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Bird, F.M. October 24th, 1904

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Bird Lore
Ora Cook
Bill Nuttall
1/Feb/924

S. H. & H. Chapman

1348 Pine St.

Philadelphia

Pa.

Bird, F.M.

December 11th, 1905

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Bros & Co 20

Ans
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~~A. C. OTIS~~,

S. H. & H. Chapman

1348 Penn

~~421 Chestnut~~ Street,

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

~~816 Philadelphia National Bank Building~~

Bird, F.M

December 23rd, 1905

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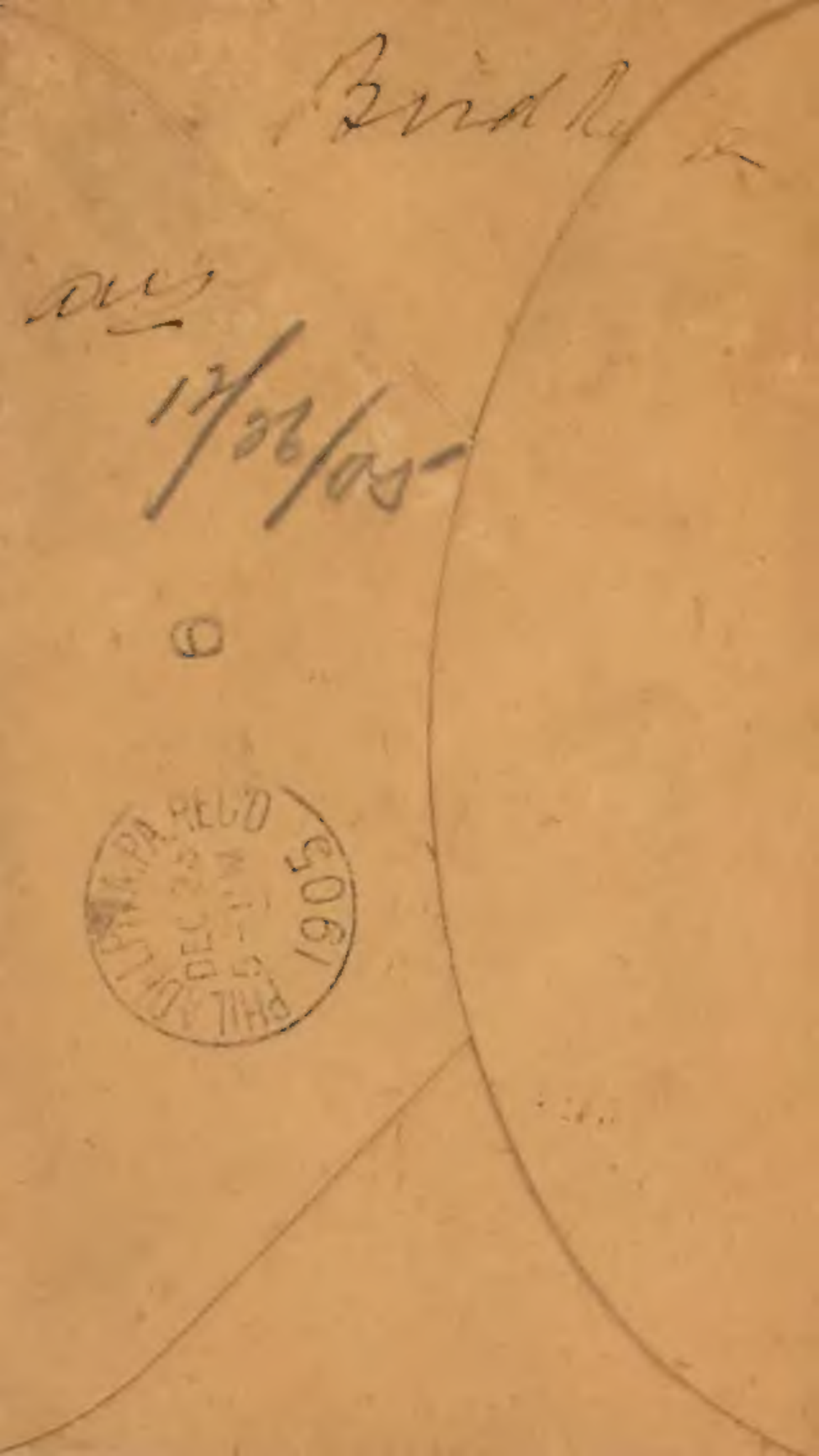
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SOUTH BETHLEHEM
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J. H. & H. Chapman

1348 Pine St.

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